

California Fair Political Practices Commission

October 5, 1988

Mr. W. R. Zoerb Secretary/Treasurer, Local 1180 Fresno County Fire Fighters Association P.O. Box 13025 Fresno, CA 93794

Your Request for Advice Our File No. I-88-351

Dear Mr. Zoerb:

You have requested advice under the campaign disclosure provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act").1/ Your letter states only a general question. Therefore, we consider it to be a request for informal assistance pursuant to Regulation 18329(c) (copy encosed).2/

QUESTION

May an association transfer money from the association's separate benefit fund (general fund monies) to the association's political action committee? How is the transfer of funds reported?

CONCLUSION

The association may transfer funds from its separate benefit fund to its political action committee. The funds transferred are reported as monetary contributions to the political action committee from the assocation. For your information, FPPC Regulation 18419 (copy enclosed) provides detailed information for reporting contributions the committee receives from members of the assocation.

^{1/} Government Code Sections 81000-91015. All statutory
references are to the Government Code unless otherwise
indicated. Commission regulations appear at 2 California Code
of Regulations Section 18000, et seq. All references to
regulations are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code
of Regulations.

^{2/} Informal assistance does not provide the requestor with the immunity provided by an opinion or formal written advice (Section 84113; Regulation 18329(c)(3).)

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If you need additional assistance concerning this matter, please contact me at 916/322-5662.

Sincerely,

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Mary Ann Kvasager
Political Reform Consultant

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Mary Ann,

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I'd like to thank you for your time and consideration reparding this matter and to also request any additional material I might need to help in the future.

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